



Dear General Practitioner

Re: Hepatitis C Referrals and Management

Following changes to the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme in March 2016, there is an alternate process now available to GP's in the community for Hepatitis C treatment. You may wish to discuss these with your patient.

More information is available from:

- Gastroenterological Society of Australia (www.gesa.org.au)

To view/download the Australian Recommendations for the Management of HCV Infection: A Consensus Statement, Clinical Guidelines and Remote Consultation Request Form visit www.gesa.org.au/index.cfm//resources/hepatitis-c-treatment

- Hepatitis WA (www.hepatitiswa.com.au)

Can assist with details of known GP providers and pharmacy dispensers

If you wish to provide treatment to your patient via the remote consultation treatment program please complete the Royal Perth Hospital **Remote Consultation Request for Initiation of Hepatitis C Treatment** form.

Once completed, please fax the form to Royal Perth Hospital on (08) 9224 3388.

If you don't wish to provide this treatment in conjunction with the Royal Perth Hospital Liver service, please consider alternative referral pathways such as:

- Referral to a local GP who is providing this collaborative service in conjunction with RPH. Contact Hepatitis WA for further advice.
- Contact your Primary Network Support Officer (NSO).
- Referral to a private specialist.

The waitlist for this service to be delivered independently by Royal Perth Hospital can be many months.

If your patient still requires further input at Royal Perth Hospital please submit a referral via the Central Referral System (CRS). Please indicate that your patient does not want to be treated by a GP in the community and understands there is a long wait for this service to be delivered by Royal Perth Hospital.



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Please send the referral to CRS if your patient requires a specialist review and treatment delivered by RPH via one of the following methods:

1. **Secure messaging**

Send an electronic CRS form via HealthLink to 'crefserv'. Forms are available from: www.gp.health.wa.gov.au/crs/about/referral-forms.cfm

2. **Fax**

1300 365 056

3. **Post**

Central Referral Service
PO Box 3462
Midland WA 6056

If you have any queries or require further information, please contact the CRS on:

Email: centralreferralservice@health.wa.gov.au

Phone: 1300 551 142

Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the delivery of innovation and excellence in patient care at Royal Perth Hospital.

Kind regards,

RPH Referral Office
Outpatients
Royal Perth Hospital

